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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Nina Taft) Attorney Docket No. 2313/SPRI.104288
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Serial No. 10/616,793)
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

It is hereby requested that the time period for responding to the outstanding Office Action mailed October 10, 2003, be extended for one month or until January 10, 2004. Enclosed is the Petition fee of \$110.

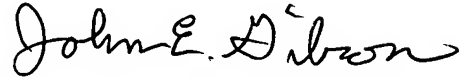
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that are required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-2112.

Respectfully submitted,



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